

# Use SSH

The basic terminal SSH access that RunPod exposes is not a full SSH connection and, therefore, does not support commands like SCP. If you want to ha

## Setup

1. Generate your public/private SSH key pair on your local machine with `ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your_email@example.com"`. This will sav


### NOTE

if you're using command prompt in Windows rather than the Linux terminal or WSL, your public/private key pair will be saved to `C:\users\{you`

```
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O: ~
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:/mnt/c/WINDOWS/system32$ cd
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:~$ ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "support@runpod.io"
Generating public/private ed25519 key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/brand/.ssh/id_ed25519):
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in /home/brand/.ssh/id_ed25519
Your public key has been saved in /home/brand/.ssh/id_ed25519.pub
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:plZ7+CekML6/v6fMqTeFCZEKNBQ17E4hhsQtqyIs4qs support@runpod.io
The key's randomart image is:
+--[ED25519 256]--+
|oo.+*o.  .|
|.oo.+o  o|
|.oo o  . .|
|. o  . .|
|o o  S. o|
|* .  o+ o+ .|
|* .0000..|
|. . . .=+.O|
|E.. .o+=OB|
+----[SHA256]-----+
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:~$
```

2. Add your public key to your RunPod user settings.

```
Select brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O: ~
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:/mnt/c/WINDOWS/system32$ cd
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:~$ cat ~/.ssh/id_ed25519.pub
ssh-ed25519 AAAAC3NzaC1lZDI1NTE5AAAAIAmRBB50X6QgHaiW6q60xGjXs3jxo7ugp0wtsyRb/f/O support@runpod.io
brand@LAPTOP-300JVE7O:~$
```



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SSH Public Keys

Adding Public Keys to your account will allow access to pods using the basic terminal access option via the a

RunPod will automatically try to inject these public keys into your pod's authorized\_keys file. This way, you ca

SSH Public Key

ssh-ed25519 AAAAC3NzaC1lZDI1NTE5AAAAIAmRBB50X6QgHaiW6q6OxGjXs3jxo7ugp0wtsyRb/f/O support

Update Public Key

Danger Zone

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3. Start your Pod. Make sure of the following things:

- Your Pod supports a public IP, if you're deploying in Community Cloud.
- An SSH daemon is started. If you're using a RunPod official template such as RunPod Stable Diffusion, you don't need to take any additional steps. If you're using an existing start command, replace `sleep infinity` at the end with your existing command:

```
bash -c 'apt update;DEBIAN_FRONTEND=noninteractive apt-get install openssh-server -y;mkdir -p ~/.ssh;cd $_;chmod 700
```

Container Image

ubuntu:latest

Docker Command

bash -c 'apt update;DEBIAN\_FRONTEND=noninteractive apt-get install openssh-server -y;mkdir -p ~/.ssh;cd \$\_;chmod 700 ~/.ssh;echo "\$PUBLIC\_KEY" >> authorized\_keys;chmod 700 authorized\_keys;service ssh start;sleep infinity'

Container Disk (Temporary)

5GB

Volume Disk (Persistent)

5GB

Volume Mount Path

/workspace

Expose HTTP Ports (Max 10)

Expose TCP Ports

22

Environment Variables

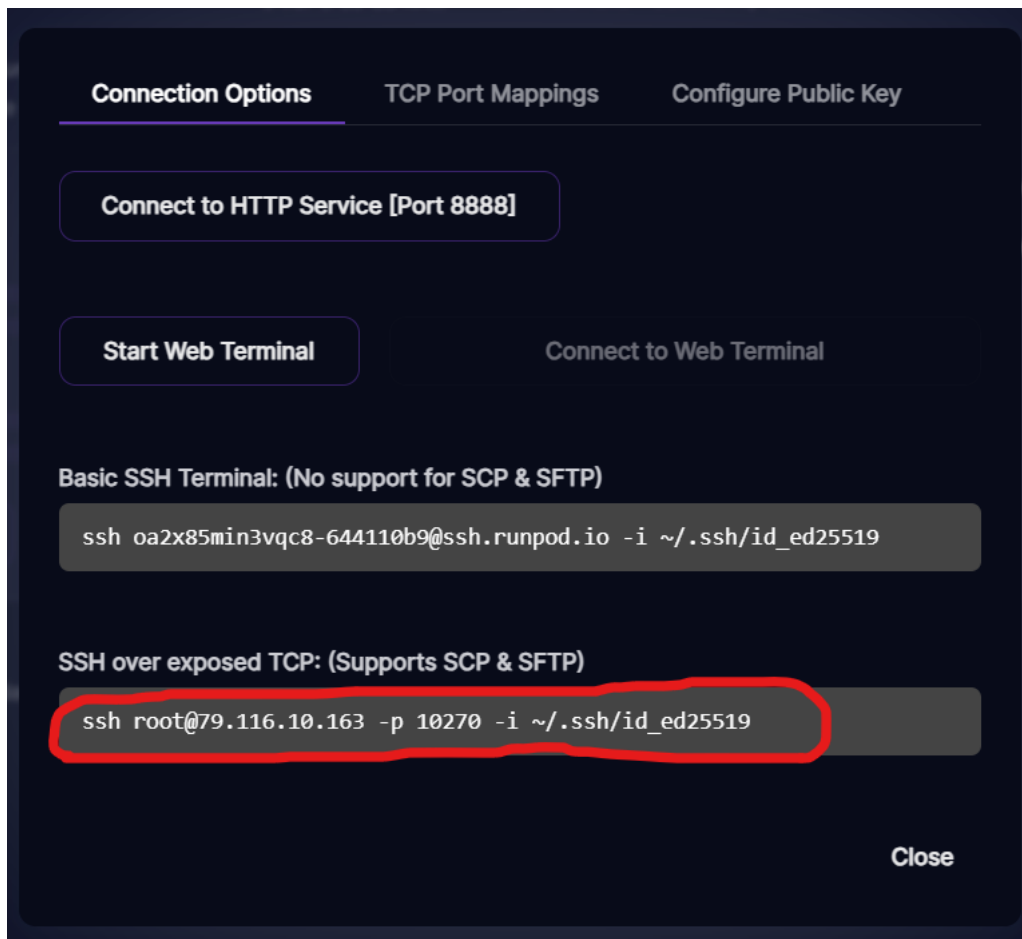
Clear Overrides

Set Overrides

Once your Pod is done initializing, you'll be able to SSH into it by running the SSH over exposed TCP command in the Pod's Connection Options menu on

**NOTE**

- if you're using the Windows Command Prompt rather than the Linux terminal or WSL, and you've used the default key location when generating your SSH command after the `-i` flag to `C:\Users\{yourUserAccount}\.ssh\id_ed25519`.
- If you've saved your key to a location other than the default, specify that path you chose when generating your key pair after the `-i` flag instead.



```
root@da040708a610: ~
brandon@DESKTOP-B8JOKG3:~$ ssh root@79.116.10.163 -p 10270 -i ~/.ssh/id_ed25519
The authenticity of host '[79.116.10.163]:10270 ([79.116.10.163]:10270)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:oaBCxAGRMgFqqwvd1dt1N5kj0SsCBYzHREnoJeOCKy4.
This key is not known by any other names
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '[79.116.10.163]:10270' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-163-generic x86_64)

* Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

This system has been minimized by removing packages and content that are
not required on a system that users do not log into.

To restore this content, you can run the 'unminimize' command.

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

root@da040708a610:~#
```

## What's the SSH password?

If you're being prompted for a password when you attempt to connect, something is amiss. We don't require a password for SSH connections. Some cor

- Copying and pasting the key *fingerprint* (beginning with `SHA256:`) into your RunPod user settings instead of the public key itself (the contents of the
- Omitting the encryption type from the beginning of the key when copying and pasting into your RunPod user settings (i.e., copying the random text,
- Not separating different public keys in your RunPod user settings with a newline between each one (this would result in the first public/private key p


- Specifying an incorrect file path to your private key file:

```
Administrator: Command Prompt - ssh root@79.116.24.181 -p 10309 -i ~/.ssh/id_ed25519
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19045.3448]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\system32>ssh root@79.116.24.181 -p 10309 -i ~/.ssh/id_ed25519
Warning: Identity file C:\Users\Brandon\.ssh/id_ed25519 not accessible: No such file or directory.
The authenticity of host '[79.116.24.181]:10309 ([79.116.24.181]:10309)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:WC7kmzoFMkLRr/7LbIl8xanj+YrGYCun+QjIXaXF/Z8.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '[79.116.24.181]:10309' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
root@79.116.24.181's password:
```

- Attempting to use a private key that other users on the machine have permissions for:

```
brandon@DESKTOP-B8JOKG3: ~/.ssh
brandon@DESKTOP-B8JOKG3:~$ cd ~/.ssh && ls -la
total 20
drwxr-xr-x 2 brandon brandon 4096 Oct 10 15:11 .
drwxr-x--- 4 brandon brandon 4096 Oct 10 15:06 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 brandon brandon 418 Oct 10 15:07 id_ed25519
-rw-r--r-- 1 brandon brandon 104 Oct 10 15:08 id_ed25519.pub
-rw-r--r-- 1 brandon brandon 142 Oct 10 15:11 known_hosts
brandon@DESKTOP-B8JOKG3:~/.ssh$ ssh root@79.116.24.181 -p 10280 -i ~/.ssh/id_ed25519
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@                WARNING: UNPROTECTED PRIVATE KEY FILE!                @
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Permissions 0644 for '/home/brandon/.ssh/id_ed25519' are too open.
It is required that your private key files are NOT accessible by others.
This private key will be ignored.
Load key "/home/brandon/.ssh/id_ed25519": bad permissions
root@79.116.24.181's password:
```

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